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A Request for Continuation Application Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b) of the presently pending U.S. Patent Application No. 09/970,377 is being concurrently filed under separate Letter. A Request for Extension for Response Within the First Month is being filed concurrently herewith in order to ensure the copendency of the present Application and the Continuation Application.


The Director is hereby authorized to charge the Extension of Time fee of \$120.00 to Deposit Account No. 500777. This Transmittal Letter is being filed in duplicate in order to facilitate the processing of this deposit account authorization.

The undersigned hereby authorizes the Director to charge any additional fees that may be required, or credit any overpayments, to **Deposit Account No. 500777**. If the extension of time is missing, this document is to be construed as also constituting a Petition for Extension of Time Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) for a period of time sufficient to enable this document to be timely filed. Any fee required for such Petition for Extension of Time should be charged to **Deposit Account No. 500777**.

Please link this application to Customer No. 38441, so that the status of this application may be checked via the PAIR System.

Respectfully submitted,

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